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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-1807
January 9, 2001

Mr. Roger C. Adams
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Dear Mr. Adams:

I write upon receipt of a clemency request from State Senator Mike Smith of Winnfield, Louisiana.

As you will note, State Senator Smith writes in support of a petition for Executive Clemency for Dr. C. L. Collier, a physician from Winn Parish. It is my understanding that the application for Executive Clemency and other necessary documents have been filed on behalf of Dr. Collier. I would appreciate your assistance in reviewing Senator Smith's correspondence and request that you give it the appropriate consideration under applicable federal laws and guidelines that it deserves.

Thank you, in advance, for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Chris John", written over a horizontal line.

CHRIS JOHN
MEMBER OF CONGRESS

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January 3, 2001

Honorable Chris John
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RE: Dr. L. R. Collier

Dear Representative John:

I am writing to you on behalf of Dr. L. R. Collier, a long-time resident and physician of Winn Parish, Louisiana who is seeking assistance in obtaining a Federal Pardon.

Dr. Collier is a life-long friend of mine, who has given much to the medical society of Winn Parish, as well as to the surrounding communities, even the state of Louisiana. He is a surgeon in several area medical facilities and has always been willing to help other people.

It has been brought to my attention, that Dr. Collier, himself, is in a state of depression over the fact that he cannot get anyone's ear on the disposition of being granted a pardon. I truly hope that in the last few days of President Clinton's term in office, that maybe someone can see that Dr. Collier gets some help in trying to obtain this pardon.

If you can see within your power to help a man in need, that has devoted so much of his life to help others, I, along with many, many other friends in this area, would be very appreciative.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Mike Smith", with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Mike Smith
State Senator

Committee:

Commerce & Consumer Protection, Vice Chairman; Agriculture; Revenue and Fiscal Affairs; Transportation, Highways and Public Works



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The Honorable Chris John
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515-1807

Dear Congressman John:

This is in response to your letter of January 9, 2001, forwarding correspondence from State Senator Mike Smith of Winnfield, Louisiana, in support of a presidential pardon for Dr. L. R. Collier.

Dr. Collier's petition for presidential pardon is currently under consideration. Senator Smith's views in his support are appreciated, and your letter and Senator Smith's correspondence will be made part of Dr. Collier's clemency file. The executive clemency process frequently is lengthy, and we can make no guarantee that the President will act upon any given case within a particular time frame. While we thus cannot predict when Dr. Collier may expect a decision to be reached regarding his request, please be assured that he will be notified promptly when final action has been taken.

Thank you for your interest in clemency matters.

Sincerely,

Roger C. Adams
Pardon Attorney